



Office of Administrative Services  
Freedom of Information Act Office

January 23, 2015

Ms. Betsy Ware  
84 Federal Street:  
Newburyport , MA, 01950

Dear Ms. Ware:

This is in response to your U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request (number GSA-2015-000286), dated January 6, 2015, in which you requested the following:

“[t]he fate of a 22'+ passenger boat that was declared surplus by the NPS- Salem Maritime National Historic site. Specifically you indicated an interest in knowing how much was paid for the boat, and if other conditions, if any, were imposed relative to the ownership, as well as a copy of the recipient's application and/or bid for the boat.”

Enclosed please find a copy of Surplus Property Transfer Order #25-4-0104-25 indicating the disposition of the 22-foot Munson boat in question. The boat was transferred as surplus property, in accordance with Federal Management Regulations, to the Massachusetts State Agency for Surplus Property (MA SASP), on September 29, 2014. The MA SASP donated the boat to its legitimately registered recipient, the Essex National Heritage Commission, of Salem, MA.

For clarification, the GSA Auctions public bidding website comes into play only when there is no federal or state interest in the property. In the case of this particular piece of property, there was state interest expressed by MA SASP, and accordingly the property did not become available for bid by the general public.

This completes our action on this request. Should you have any questions, please contact Michael Wade, GSA Area Property Officer, New England Region, at 603-772-2108, or by email at [michael.wade@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.wade@gsa.gov).

Sincerely,

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FOIA Program Manager

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